

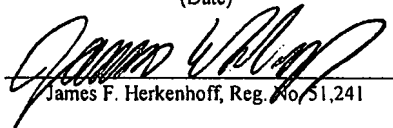
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action electronically mailed October 17, 2007, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and comments for consideration.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** start on page 6 of this paper.